

Understanding the Remediation Process

NBEA works with project owners to ensure compliant practice

Lindy Rauscher
NBEA Compliance Officer

The Board has been utilizing the remediation process detailed in Board Rule 8.4 more frequently in recent months for projects that constitute the unlicensed practice of architecture and engineering. The goal of remediation is to work with project owners to bring their project back into compliance with the E&A Regulation Act. While remediation may cause delays and added expense, it ensures that the health, safety, and welfare of the public is protected through the involvement of licensed professionals.

As the number of projects going through remediation has increased, the Board and Board staff have received many questions from licensees and project owners about the remediation process. To increase understanding and awareness of the requirements of licensees who may be involved in remediating non-compliant projects, we have answered a few of the most common questions below. Please note that these answers are generalized; each individual project will have unique considerations.

Q: *The project is already under construction. Must construction stop during remediation?*

A: Not necessarily. A complaint and the remediation process is not a stop order. The licensed remediation professional will review any existing plans and the structure itself to identify any deficiencies.

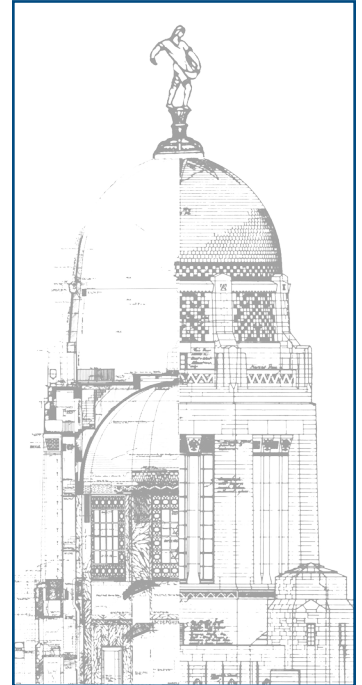
If the remediation professional identifies immediate concerns of public safety, it is the professional's responsibility to notify appropriate authorities. Notification may result in a stop order from the local building official. It may be appropriate to stop construction if the remediation professional identifies deficiencies that raise an immediate concern. Stopping construction allows deficiencies to be corrected and can deter additional potential deficiencies created during construction.

Q: *Do new building plans and technical documents need to be produced after a remediation inspection?*

A: Not for every project. There are three general conclusions of a remediation review:

1. The remediation professional did not identify any deficiencies. When there are no deficiencies, there is no need to produce technical documents.
 2. Deficiencies were identified, but they can be corrected without new technical documents. In this situation, the deficiencies can be corrected through a detailed written description provided by the remediation professional in a remediation letter.
- If building plans already exist, the remediation professional may be able to make corrections through annotations, clouding, and deltas.

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New Board Rules, Effective November 1

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Effective November 1, the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects has several new and revised rules.

Notable changes include, but are not limited to:

- Changing references of 'Intern Development Program' (IDP) to 'Architectural Experience Program' (AXP);
- New rules clarifying what constitutes acceptable direct supervision of architectural or engineering work under Rule 6.4;
- New rule clarifying what web-based continuing education (CE) courses are restricted under Rule 9.2.3;
- Clarification regarding CE requirements for military personnel; and
- New rule specifying that an applicant's prior criminal or disciplinary history is not an automatic bar to licensure or admittance to examinations;

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License Renewals Due in December

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License renewal season has begun for architects and professional engineers whose last names begin with letters A through K. The licenses for these individuals will expire on December 31, 2017 unless they are renewed prior to that date.

To assist with the license renewal process, Board staff have compiled the following tips. Contact our Board staff at nbea.board@nebraska.gov with further questions.

License Renewal Process

- Renewals can be completed online through the Board website, ea.nebraska.gov, by navigating to *Architects* or *Engineers* and then *Renew*. If you would prefer a paper renewal form, please contact our office.
- Your renewal application will be held pending for review by the Board if:
 1. You answer “Yes” to any of the disclosure questions,
 2. You indicate that you have not satisfied the continuing education requirements of renewal, or
 3. You are notified that you were randomly selected for an audit of your continuing education.
- A receipt and new pocket card will be generated following payment of the renewal fee. If your responses require additional review, the receipt will include additional instructions.
- The renewal fee is \$80. Renewals will be received for one year following the expiration date, but will be assessed a late fee of \$8 per month (up to a maximum of an additional \$80).

Disciplinary, Criminal, and Civil Disclosures

- If you answer “Yes” to any of the disclosure questions, you will need to provide a written explanation of the event and a copy of any official documentation, if available.
- Even if you have previously disclosed events, you need to disclose them again truthfully and completely. Further explanations and documentation does not need to be provided again if the information was already provided to the Board.
- Disclosure explanations and documentation are maintained with your license records.
- If approved for renewal, the license will be renewed and a new pocket card will be provided. In the event that renewal is not approved, you will be contacted by the Board’s Compliance Officer or Executive Director.

Continuing Education (CE) & Audits

- Online courses from unrestricted providers described in Board Rule 9.2.3 can constitute 100% of the CE requirements. Online course providers may be restricted per this same rule if they do not constitute one of the five categories of providers listed. Restricted online providers can only constitute 25% of the requirement (7.5 hours for professional engineers, 6 hours for architects).
- Individuals selected for an audit are notified following payment of the renewal fee. These individuals will need to provide a log of their CE and documents supporting the credits claimed. Licenses are not renewed until the audit is successfully completed.

- If you indicate that you have not completed the CE requirements, your license renewal will be held pending completion of the hours or determination of eligibility for an exemption or waiver.

1. A full or partial exemption is available for full-time active duty military service upon submission of military orders or other supporting documents.
2. A full or partial waiver may be available due to physical disability, illness, or other extenuating circumstances. The Board reviews all these waiver requests, which should be made to the Board via written request.
3. Individuals not eligible for a military exemption or disability waiver will be required to submit a CE log and supporting documentation.

- Individuals completing their initial renewal period ending December 31, 2017 are exempt from CE requirements. However, they may carry over excess CE gained in this period into the 2018-19 renewal period.

Electing Emeritus Status

- Individuals that are no longer practicing may elect Emeritus status during the renewal process.
- Individuals that elect Emeritus status are not authorized to practice in Nebraska, but are allowed to continue using the honorary titles and will continue to receive Board publications.
- The fee for Emeritus status is \$25 and is renewed annually.

Please contact Board staff at nbea.board@nebraska.gov or 402-471-2021 with any further questions. ■

Newsletter Opting For Electronic Format

Beginning in Fall 2018, *The Nebraska Professional* will be sent electronically, unless requested otherwise.

“Newsletter recipients have grown by about 30 percent in the past ten years, and those numbers continue to go up,” Molly Mayhew, Public Information Officer for the Board, said. “Currently, the newsletter goes out to all licensees, emeritus members and related organizations and societies.”

Only 35 licensed architects and professional engineers have opted for the electronic newsletter to be emailed since the option was first offered five years ago. With over 10,000 licensees and emeritus members, an electronic newsletter will have major benefits.

“The switch will save drastically on printing and mailing costs,” Mayhew said. “By shifting the newsletter from a predominately printed resource to an electronic resource, the Board can get information to licensees and organizations quicker.”

Starting in 2018, all new licensees with Nebraska will automatically be signed up to receive the electronic version of the newsletter via email.

“For anyone who currently receives the newsletter, the last printed issue will be in Spring of 2018. This gives recipients some time to contact the Board if they would like to continue receiving a printed copy of the newsletter by mail,” Mayhew said.

The Nebraska Professional will still be posted to the Board’s website, where past versions of the newsletter can also be read.

If you would like to receive a printed newsletter contact molly.mayhew@nebraska.gov. ■

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- If existing documents are revised, the revisions must be attributed to the individual responsible for the revisions.
3. Deficiencies were identified that will require design corrections detailed in technical documents. In this case, technical documents will be produced by the remediation professional in addition to the remediation letter.

Q: Do technical documents need to be submitted to the local building official and state fire marshal again?

A: It depends. If the deficiencies will require design corrections or revisions to existing documents, these officials may require another submission of technical documents. A new submission of technical documents should include a copy of the remediation letter.

Q: I am the remediation professional for this project. What should I include in my remediation letter?

A: The remediation letter should reflect every step of the remediation process provided in Board Rule 8.4.1.1. Generally, the letter should include:

1. Identification of the project and an explanation of the remediation professionals' relationship to the project.
2. Identification of any deficiencies, including any that raise immediate concerns of public safety. If there are immediate public safety concerns, the remediation professional should indicate whether there is a local authority to notify and whether they did notify the authority.
3. Describe your recommendations to correct deficiencies and the kinds of

technical documents that may need to be produced.

4. A statement affirming that the remediation professional takes responsibility for the remediation design.
5. If remediation will require the involvement of other design disciplines, identify those disciplines or licensed professionals and designate a coordinating professional.
 - If there are multiple design professionals, each licensee may prepare their own remediation letter. The coordinating professional would then prepare a cover letter that lists each design professional involved in the remediation. Alternatively, each licensee would prepare their portion of the remediation letter and identify the portion that they are responsible for.
6. Seal, sign, and date the letter. ■

2017 CAPITOL LICENSING CEREMONY

17 architects and 39 professional engineers receive certificates



Over 200 guests attended this year's Licensing Ceremony for 56 recently licensed architects and professional engineers.

The ceremony was held November 3, in the Warner Chamber at the Nebraska State Capitol and boasted the highest turnout the ceremony has ever had.

The 2016-2017 licensing group of 140 was the Board's second largest group in the past decade, following the 2015-2016 total of 147 licensees. Architects and professional engineers invited to the ceremony are those licensed by exam in Nebraska within the past year.

The keynote speaker this year was Katherine Ankerson, Dean of the College of Architecture at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Dave Johnson, President of the Nebraska Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and Karen Stelling, President of the Nebraska Chapter of the Society of Professional Engineers also spoke to the licensees and presented their respective professionals with their license certificates.

This is the twelfth year the Board has hosted the Licensing Recognition Ceremony for licensees and their guests. ■

New Accounting Clerk at NBEA



Tara Scott

The Board welcomes Tara Scott as the new accounting clerk.

Since moving back to Nebraska in 2011, Scott is familiar with the work flow of a Nebraska State agency.

Before joining the Board, she was employed by the Department of Corrections as an accounting clerk and the Department of Roads (now Department of Transportation) as a staff assistant.

“Tara came to the Board of Engineers and Architects with 16 years of experience in accounting and a working knowledge of the State of Nebraska’s financial system. She brings her detail-oriented strengths to the accounting clerk position,” Sandra Weaver, Business Manager for the Board, said. “She is a team player with a positive attitude and is a pleasant person to work with.”

Already coming up on six months with the Board, Scott is enjoying her new surroundings.

“What I enjoy most about my position here is the people I work with, and how it’s a much more relaxed atmosphere,” Scott said. “I really do love my job too, and the fact that everyone here is so helpful and approachable if I have questions.” ■

Certificate of Authorization vs. Certificate of Authority

Molly Mayhew
NBEA Public Information Officer

Registering with Nebraska as an engineering or architectural firm not only requires a Certificate of Authorization from the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects, but also a Certificate of Authority from the Secretary of State.

“A Certificate of Authorization is issued by the Board and authorizes the organization to practice engineering or architecture in Nebraska,”

Lindy Rauscher, Compliance Officer for the Board, said. “A Certificate of Authority is issued by the Nebraska Secretary of State and authorizes the organization to transact business in Nebraska.”

Organizations looking to work in Nebraska will need both certificates if they practice, or offer to practice architecture and/or engineering, engage in design-build, or bill for architectural or engineering services pertaining to projects in Nebraska.

Organizations that are not a business entity created by law, engage in activities that result only in non-customized manufactured or fabricated products, are a public service provider, or engages in the practice of architecture or engineering only for itself are excluded from needing a certificate of authorization.

According to the Jody Damian, the Senior Filing Officer for the Secretary of State, obtaining a Certificate of Authority takes about two to three business

days. The Board also offers quick turn around for those registering.

“Per Board Rule 1.12.1 and Board Policy 14.01, Board staff is authorized to review and issue Certificates of Authorization on a conditional basis, pending formal approval by the Board,” Rauscher said. “A typical Certificate of Authorization application can be reviewed and conditionally issued within one week of the submission of the application and fee.”

Organizations can run into delays when trying to obtain a Certificate of Authority through the Secretary of State without first obtaining the Certificate of Authorization through the Board.

“Foreign corporations and foreign limited liability companies must provide the Application for Certificate of Authority form which is available on our website,” Damian said.

“The application requires either the application for electronic access of records (professional corporation or LLC) or a letter of authorization from the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects.”

Organizations that include the wording ‘architect’ or ‘engineer’ or any derivative in the legal name of the entity are also subject to Board review, as these terms are protected in Nebraska.

Any prior disciplinary action can also slow the registration process.

“Applicant organizations, or the designated professional in

responsible charge, that have been subject to disciplinary action may be asked to provide additional information to supplement their application,” Rauscher said. “In these situations, the application will not be conditionally issued by Board Staff. Instead, the full application is reviewed by the Board. The Board meets about once a month, except for July and November, so these applications can take about one month between submission of the application and a final Board determination.”

Once an organization does become registered with the state, they will be subject to renewals.

“A Certificate of Authorization is renewed every two years from the date the Certificate was issued,” Rauscher said. “Renewal notices are mailed to the organization approximately two months prior to the expiration date.”

“If the company is organized as a professional entity, they must file an Application for Electronic Access of Records each year by the date the previous application was filed,” Damian said. “In addition, corporations file an Occupation Tax Report each even numbered year by March 1. LLC’s file a biennial report each odd numbered year by April 1.”

If you have questions about obtaining or renewing a Certificate of Authorization, contact the Board at nbea.office@nebraska.gov or 402-471-2021. For questions about Certificates of Authority, contact the Secretary of State’s Office at 402-471-2554. ■

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- New rules clarifying what is considered the practice of engineering and architecture as it relates to participation in design competitions, forensic engineering, and working as an expert witness.

The Board approved the rule changes, clarifications and additions at a rulemaking hearing in March, and the Governor approved the changes on October 27.

The new rules are currently available at ea.nebraska.gov under *Regulations*. New editions of The Nebraska Engineers

and Architects Regulation Act handbook will also be made available to the public in the coming weeks.

If you have questions about rule changes, contact the Board at nbea.office@nebraska.gov. If you would like a printed version of the E&A Act, send your request to molly.mayhew@nebraska.gov. ■

Board Observes 80 Years of Licensure

On August 16, the Board celebrated 80 years of licensure.

Eight decades has brought the Board 54 members, 979 board meetings (and counting), and over 20,000 licensed architects and professional engineers with the state of Nebraska.

Our current Board members and staff are proud to continue the legacy of safeguarding life, health and property for the citizens and visitors of Nebraska. We commend all current licensees for joining us in this endeavor.



The Board celebrated its 80 Anniversary at the 977 board meeting in August. Left to Right: Jan Bostelman, Mark Champion, Jennifer Klein, Mike Conzett, Krista Kester, Randy Peters, Lenora Isom. Absent: Tom Laging.

In honor of our anniversary, here are some interesting facts we ran across while researching the history of the Board:

- LB14 went into effect August 16, 1937 creating the State Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Architects. The Board's name was changed in 1998 to what it is today.
- In 1937, the original five board members had the opportunity to license themselves before anyone else. However, it appears they forgot, so instead of giving themselves a license number in numerical order with other licensees, their license numbers were B-1 through B-5.
- The first licensed Professional Engineer was 1937 Governor, Robert Cochran, who helped pass LB14. The first Architect was James Stitt, who is credited with designing many of the first municipal buildings in Norfolk, Nebraska.
- The Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects is unique among states in that it regulates both engineering and architecture. The original founders thought that since these professions were often collaborating on projects, it made sense to have them together on the Board.
- The Board used to purchase and present seals to newly licensed individuals. In 1956, seals for new licensees cost the Board a total of \$6.75, up \$4.35 from 1938.

- When the Board was created, it called for five board members: three engineers and two architects. Today, the board comprises eight members: four professional engineers, three architects, and one public member. One architect and one professional engineer must be a faculty member from the University

of Nebraska-Lincoln's respective college.

- Ed Foster was the only Board member to have multiple disciplines: a Professional Civil Engineer, Professional Structural Engineer, and Professional Nuclear Engineer.

- It wasn't until 1983 that

the Board made the addition of education members (one architect and one professional engineer as recommended by the Dean of each respective college and appointed by the Governor). The Board has had 11 education members since.

- The longest serving board member was a professional engineer, Dale Sall, who served 29 years. Six members overall have served 20 or more years.
- The first woman board member, Melinda Pearson, was appointed in 1994. The Board has had six women board members altogether: three architects, two professional engineers, and one public member.
- The first public member, William Tringe of Holdrege, began service in 1998.
- Including current members, 27 professional engineers, 25 architects and 2 public members have served on the Board.
- Out of the 25 architects that have served as Board members, 10 have been Past Presidents of the Nebraska Chapter of AIA.
- In 2017, all of the Board's officers (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary) are, for the first time, women. ■

Pre-Licensing Titles for Architectural Interns

In December 2016, The American Institute of Architects (AIA) supported two titles for individuals who are pre-licensure.

Per AIA's position statement: AIA supports the title of "Architectural Associate" or "Design Professional" for those who 1) have earned a degree from a program accredited by NAAB, or who have met education/experience requirements in their jurisdiction AND 2) are participating in the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' Architectural Experience Program or are meeting their jurisdictions' experience requirements.

However, this statement is not consistent with Nebraska state law.

"The prescribed title for individuals who have enrolled in IDP or AXP and hold a degree from a NAAB-accredited program is 'Intern Architect,' per Nebraska Revised Statute 81-3416.01," Jon Wilbeck, Executive Director for the Board, said.

"The use of the titles 'architectural associate' and 'design professional', referred to in the AIA position statement, are not consistent with Nebraska law."

Since this position statement was issued by AIA this year, our Board has received inquiries as to whether or not the new terms are supported by the Board.

The use of certain titles, including architect and modifications or derivatives of that word, are protected by state statutes contained in the Nebraska Engineers and Architects Regulation Act, which the Board administers. ■

Recently Resolved Compliance Cases

The following complaints were reviewed for compliance by the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects, and resolved via the action noted. These summaries are provided for licensee education and information, and should not be interpreted as a full description of the complaints described. In complaints where disciplinary action was taken by the Board per Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-3444, the names of the individuals and/or organizations involved are included.

Complaint #15.04 & 16.06

Unlicensed Practice of Engineering and Offer to Practice – Settlement Agreement

Summary: The Board learned that Mr. Dennis Vodicka and his organization, Standard Bridge Company, LLC, had been advertising and offering engineering services for predesigned and prefabricated bridges. The complaint involved allegations that engineering services were being solicited directly to Nebraska political subdivisions and through a website. Complaint 16.06 involved allegations that the advertising had shifted to various video-sharing websites.

Action: The Board held an administrative hearing on the matter, and imposed a \$10,000 civil penalty and issued a cease and desist order in Complaint 15.04. The Board then filed an Action for Enforcement in the District Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska per Board Rule 8.5.1. The Court entered judgment in favor of the Board and upheld the civil penalty and cease and desist order.

The Board then held an administrative hearing in Complaint 16.06, imposing a \$10,000 civil penalty and issuing a cease and desist order. In lieu of pursuing an Action for Enforcement, the Board entered into a Settlement Agreement with Mr. Vodicka and Standard Bridge Company, LLC. Mr. Vodicka and Standard Bridge Company, LLC agreed to pay \$1,000 as a civil penalty, to discontinue any and all advertising in Nebraska, to prevent third parties from using or publishing the advertisement material, and to comply with all provisions of Nebraska law and regulations governing the practice of engineering in Nebraska. In the event that Mr. Vodicka or Standard Bridge Company, LLC violate the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the Board will

pursue collection of the \$10,000 civil penalty in Complaint 15.04, enter an Action for Enforcement in Complaint 16.06, and pursue collection of the \$10,000 civil penalty in Complaint 16.06.

Complaint #16.18

Violation of E&A Act – License Revocation

Summary: The Board was notified by the South Dakota Board of Technical Professions that the South Dakota PE license of Michael J. Ollerich had been permanently revoked due to professional misconduct and incompetence.

Action: Board Rule 5.4.3.3 provides that concurrent action shall be taken against a Nebraska license issued on the basis of comity with another jurisdiction upon suspension or revocation of that jurisdiction's license. Mr. Ollerich's license was issued on the basis of comity due to the license he held in South Dakota at the time he applied for a Nebraska license. The Board held a disciplinary action hearing and revoked Mr. Ollerich's Nebraska license (E-4818) based on the South Dakota board's action.

Complaint #17.02

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for a new, one-story, 2,400 square foot daycare [Institutional (I-4) Occupancy Classification per state building code] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: This project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because this I-4 occupancy would have an occupant load of 20 or more people, as reflected in Board Rule 10.3.6. During the course of the investigation, the Board received modified building plans for the daycare that would be less than 2,000 square feet. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.04

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for the alteration of a 2,280 square foot classroom [Edu-

cational (E) occupancy] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: The project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because this E occupancy would have an occupant load of 20 or more people, as reflected in Board Rule 10.3.3. The Board authorized the remediation process provided in Board Rule 8.4 to bring this project into compliance with the E&A Act. A licensee serving as a remediation professional conducted a review of the project and did not identify any deficiencies. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.07

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for a new, two-story, 8,000 square foot apartment building [Residential (R-2) occupancy] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: The project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because this R-2 occupancy was two stories and comprised more than 5,000 square feet. The Board authorized the remediation process provided in Board Rule 8.4 to bring this project into compliance with the Act. A licensee serving as a remediation professional conducted a review of the project, identified deficiencies, and recommended corrections that are being implemented. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.10

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for the renovation of a one-story, 5,490 square foot business office [Business (B) occupancy] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: This project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because this B occupancy comprised 5,000 or more square feet and had an occupant load of 20 or more people, as reflected in Board Rule 10.3.2. The Board authorized the remediation process provided in Board

Rule 8.4 to bring this project into compliance with the E&A Act. A licensee serving as a remediation professional conducted a review of the project, identified deficiencies, and recommended corrections that have been implemented. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.11

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for the remodel of a one-story, 3,190 square foot business office [Business (B) occupancy] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: During the course of the investigation, it became apparent that the renovation work that constituted the practice of architecture or engineering did not impact the entire 3,190 square foot building. The scope of work did not adversely impact the mechanical systems, electrical systems, structural integrity of the building, the means of egress, or the occupancy classification of the building. Therefore, the total impacted area was determined to be approximately 550 square feet and qualified for a commercial building exemption. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.12

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for a new, one-story, 9,000 square foot pre-engineered building [Business (B) and Storage (S) occupancies] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: Board Rule 10.3.11 requires that the most restrictive occupancy governs in exemption determinations when the building contains two or more occupancies. In this case, the Business occupancy is more restrictive than the Storage occupancy. This project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because it comprised more than 5,000 square feet and had an occupant load of 20 or more people, as reflected in Board Rule 10.3.2. During the investigation, sealed plans for the pre-engineered building and foundations were

provided. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.14

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for the remodel of a one-story, 4,000 square foot business office and retail building [Business (B) and Mercantile (M) occupancies] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer.

Action: Board Rule 10.3.11 requires that the most restrictive occupancy governs in exemption determinations when the building contains two or more occupancies. In this case, the Business occupancy and Mercantile occupancy are equally restrictive under the E&A Act. This project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption provided in the E&A Act because it had an occupant load of 20 or more people, as reflected in Board Rules 10.3.2 and 10.3.7. The Board authorized the remediation process provided in Board Rule 8.4 to bring this project into compliance with the E&A Act. A licensee serving as a remediation professional conducted a review of the project and did not identify any deficiencies. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action.

Complaint #17.21

Unlicensed Practice

Summary: The Board was notified of the submission to another state agency of building plans for the addition of a one-story, 5,700 square foot storage area [Storage (s) occupancy] that did not bear the seal of a licensed architect or professional engineer. The existing structure was a 35,000 square foot retail building, Mercantile (M) occupancy.

Action: This project did not qualify for the commercial building exemption because the addition comprised more than 5,000 square feet and would adversely impact the entire existing structure of 35,000 square feet. The Board authorized the remediation process provided in Board Rule 8.4 to bring this project into compliance with the Act. A licensee serving as a remediation professional conducted a review of the project, identified deficiencies, and recommended corrections that were implemented. The complaint was dismissed with no disciplinary action. ■

Architects by Exam

Thomas R. Berry	OMAHA	NE
Andrew M. Conzett	OMAHA	NE
Kelly A. Hiskey	LINCOLN	NE
Timothy S. Kalb	OMAHA	NE
Matthew S. Krause	OMAHA	NE
Ronald C. Larson	LINCOLN	NE
Jesse J. McConnell	BELLEVUE	NE
Matthew D. B. Miller	OMAHA	NE
Taylor J. Nielsen	OMAHA	NE
Anna L. Pratt	OMAHA	NE
Alec E. Saline	OMAHA	NE
Andrew M. Shelby	OMAHA	NE
Daniel A. Siedhoff	LINCOLN	NE
Andrew C. Sorensen	LINCOLN	NE
Bruce A. Yoder	BELLEVUE	NE
Daniel J. Zegers	PAPILLION	NE

Professional Engineers by Exam

Architectural

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Dustin J. Davis	PAPILLION	NE
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**Correction: Emeritus members were to be acknowledged in the last issue of The Nebraska Professional; Change of status between October 12, 2016 - March 14, 2017.*



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A GARDEN IN FALL

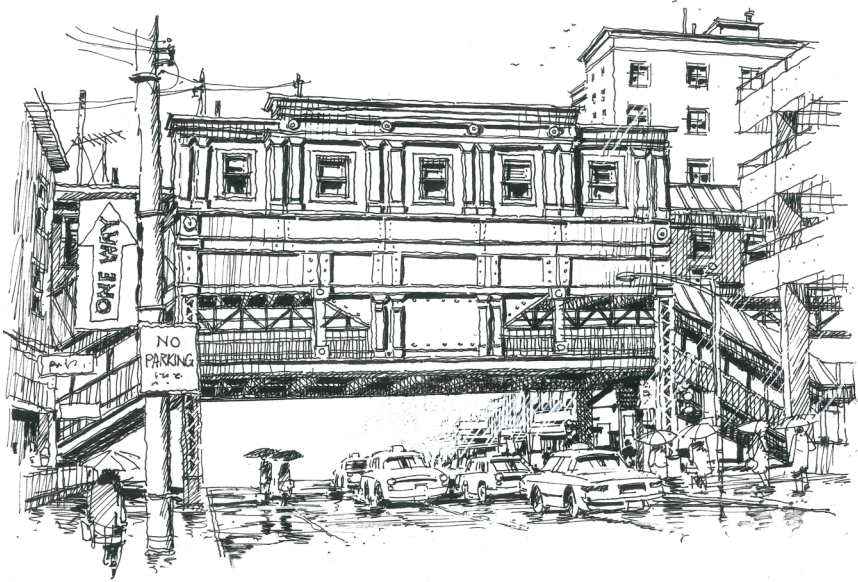
Wind high in the rigging, and a few squirrels furling the clouds in the trees, untying the torn pennants of leaves and letting them fall.

The nets of the melon vines have been reeled in damp and heaped to dry, the last few leaky floats entangled among them, and I am surprised to be

seventy-eight, knees locked and feet planted firmly, squinting out over the waves toward what might be an island, the sunny deck rolling beneath me.

A reflection on being 78

Ted Kooser, former U.S. Poet Laureate (2004-2006), and recipient of the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, a Nebraska Poet.



“El Station, Chicago” (1973)
By **Robert L. Hanna**, architectural illustrator and Nebraska Emeritus Architect

In 1893, at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago, the world was first introduced to the Intramural Elevated Railway – the first commercial installation of the third rail on a large scale. Inventor, electrical engineer and Ashland, Nebraska native, Bion J. Arnold, went on to receive national acclaim for the application and eventually became the consulting engineer for the Chicago railway. To this day, Arnold’s invention is still utilized in Chicago and other major cities.